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News Release

ICE DEPORTS ACCUSED KILLER TO MEXICO

INDIANAPOLIS—U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) deported a 54-year-old Mexico citizen here Friday to Mexico, where he is wanted for murder, assault and battery.

ICE agents arrested Felipe Vicente De La Rosa Dec. 8 at his at residence at 4216 Venice Court residence with the assistance of the FBI Fugitive Task Force.

De La Rosa illegally entered the United States in August 1999 by crossing the southern border.

ICE and the task force received information from the Attorney General of Mexico that De La Rosa was wanted in Texcoco, Mexico for murder. After determining that an individual with a similar name was residing at the Venice Court address, a federal search warrant was obtained. De La Rosa was immediately arrested once ICE agents confirmed his identity.

"This arrest is an excellent example of how a unified approach to law enforcement works internationally," said Special Agent-in-Charge Elissa A. Brown, who leads ICE investigations in Chicago and Indiana. "ICE agents remain committed to ridding our communities of violent criminals who threaten public safety and have no right to be in this country."

De La Rosa was placed on a morning flight back to Mexico and turned over to Mexican authorities.

Chicago ICE deported 6,077 criminal and illegal aliens living in the agency's Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri and Kansas operational area in fiscal year 2004. This 24 percent increase in removals over the previous year reflects the national trend of increased deportations as ICE pursues its objective of restoring integrity to the nation's immigration system.

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